

Spring Reminders

GARAGE, YARD, OR ANY RESIDENTIAL SALES: Sales are limited to twice a year and for only three consecutive days. The sale cannot start before 8 a.m. and must end before 7 p.m. Signs for the sale are limited to two and must not be placed in the right-of-way of any street or on any utility poles.

PARKING: Automobiles, RV's, campers, trailers, boats, or any vehicle cannot be parked in the front yard of a residence for any reason. Sidewalks must not be blocked by a parked vehicle. Parking in city parks must be in designated areas unless approved by council.

OPEN BURNING: Burning of leaves, grass, brush, or burning in barrels is allowed on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 8 a.m.- 8 p.m. Burning on any other day or any large burn must be approved by Fire Chief Scott Johnson, 743-5561, or Assistant Chief Bill Pearsall, 743-5766. The burning of treated lumber or garbage is not permitted. Open fires must be attended at all times, must have water available near by, and must be away from streets and buildings.

JUNK VEHICLES: Non-operating vehicles or any unsightly junk or debris cannot be left in the open for more than 30 days. At the end of that time, a ten-day notice will be given to have the nuisance removed or it will be removed by the city and the owner charged with a fine plus the cost of removal.

Pine Tree Cemetery Updated

Last fall, work started on updating the burial files for Pine Tree Cemetery. The Department of Public Works is now asking residents for help in locating information that was lost years ago.

If you know of a grave in Pine Tree Cemetery that is unmarked or marked incorrectly, please call Shauna Bayless at the DPW barn, 743-5040, from 8 am-12 noon Monday-Friday. This will help in the research. Also, if anyone has records from Pine Tree Cemetery (or Pine Grove Cemetery) such as deeds or burial certificates from 1925 or before, she would like to make a copy of those for her records.

"My biggest problem is a lack of information from before 1925", says Bayless. "Most of the burial information from that period was lost awhile ago. Putting together records from that time, with what information I have, is like putting together a jigsaw puzzle with missing pieces. I'm hoping someone out there might have some of the pieces."

The next phase of the project is to walk through the cemetery and take down information from the headstones. That information will be matched to the information already gathered and, at the end of this process, the city should have a more complete record of Pine Tree Cemetery.

Bridge Project on Hold

Repairs to the Shiawassee Street bridge are on hold for yet another year, according to City Manager, Joe Sawyer. Funding for this project was cut from the state budget late last year.

Plans are to start repairs in the spring of 2004, however, further cuts in state funding may hold up the project even further.

Volunteers Needed

If you or your group would like to help the elderly in the city by shoveling snow off sidewalks next winter, or if you had difficulty clearing snow off sidewalks this year, please contact Corunna City Hall at 743-3650. The city is putting together a list of those who need help shoveling snow and those who would be willing to volunteer their time to help their neighbors.

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D.A.R.E. Graduation

This year's D.A.R.E. graduation is planned for May 15, 7 p.m., at Corunna High School, according to D.A.R.E. officer, Gary Blahnik.

Grass and Weeds

A reminder to all residents that the city will again be strictly enforcing rules regarding weed and grass control.

On property of less than one acre, owners must keep weeds, grass and other rank vegetation cut to less than six inches and dead weeds, grass or brush cannot be allowed to accumulate on the property.

On property of one acre or greater, owners must keep grass, weeds and other rank vegetation cut to less than six inches within 50 ft. of the edge of the street or property line. Dead weeds, grass or brush cannot be allowed to accumulate on the property.

In either case, a violation will result in a fine of \$300 plus costs, which will be billed to the property owner.

It is also illegal to blow grass or leaves into the street. This clogs storm drains and causes street flooding during heavy rains.

Residents may take unbagged leaves, brush, and grass clippings to the drop-off area at the end of Pine St., behind the D.P.W. service building. Hours for the drop-off area are Monday-Friday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the first Saturday of every month.

There are 185 fifth grade students from Nellie Reed, Louise Peacock and Elsa Meyer Schools graduating in this year's class. During the ceremony, students will receive their D.A.R.E. t-shirt as well as other honors.

As a part of the program, the high school role models, under the direction of Mrs. Bentley, will perform a skit to the song "Turn Me Around", showing how it takes parents, schools, and police to help keep kids off drugs. The fifth graders will also perform the official D.A.R.E. song and essays will be read by some of the students.

D.A.R.E. officers Gary Blahnik and Paul Richardson invite the public to attend this very special evening.

THANK YOU

The City of Corunna and the Friends of the Corunna Library would like to thank The Home Depot in Corunna for their generous contribution of \$1,000.

The money will be put toward the renovation of the new Olmsted Public Library Complex located at 210 E. Corunna Ave.



Parks and Recreation

Spring is when McCurdy Park awakens from a long, cold winter and invites everyone to come and enjoy all of the activities planned by the Corunna

Parks and Recreation Commission.

NEW PICNIC PAVILION

Eagle Scout candidate Joshua Jones will head a project to build a new picnic pavilion in the park this spring.

Plans are to build a 24x24 foot pavilion, near the Playscape. He plans to have most of the material and labor donated by area merchants and volunteers. The project should be finished by late spring.

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

The Easter Bunny will make his annual appearance at the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny and Easter Egg Hunt at McCurdy Park, April 12. The all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast, from 8-11 a.m., is \$5.00 for ages 13-adult, \$2.50 for ages six-twelve, and free for ages five and under. The Easter Egg Hunt will start promptly at 11:30 a.m. in supervised hunting areas which are designated by age groups. Participants will hunt in the park for colored plastic eggs containing candy and certificates for prizes.



LITTLE LEAGUE

It's all most time to sign up for baseball, softball and T-ball. Registration forms will be handed out to students at all Corunna schools on April 1. After that date, they will be available at the school office or Corunna City Hall.

Registration for all leagues is scheduled on the following days at the Community Center in McCurdy Park:

**Thursday, April 24,
6-8 p.m.**

**Friday, April 25,
3-8 p.m.**

**Saturday, April 26,
8 a.m.-12 p.m.**



The registration fee is \$30.00 per child for the first two children and \$20.00 for each additional child. Registration forms and fees can also be dropped off at Corunna City Hall before 4:30 p.m. on April 25. After that date, registration must be arranged through League Director, Bill Graham.

Team selection and parent notification will take place the week of May 5, and practice will start the week of May 13. Each child will receive a team shirt and hat.

For questions about baseball, softball or T-ball, leave a message for Bill Graham at 743-3251 or call his office at 743-5459. For questions regarding any upcoming activity, call Janet Washburn, Tuesdays and Thursdays at Corunna City Hall, 743-3650.